Friday, March 30 continued -

2:00 p.m. Breakout Sessions: Choose one

Overcoming Professional Burnout while Working with Persons with Brain Injury Robert Karol, PhD, LP, ABPP, CBIST

- Describe the nature of burnout and the factors that contribute to burnout
- Explain steps to address burnout

What a Headache!

Kilee R. Oetjen, PT, DPT, ACBIS, CPST, Physical Therapist at The Alexis Verzal Children's Rehabilitation Hospital at Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital, Lincoln, Neb.

- Recognize causes of headache symptoms following TBI
- Formulate treatment strategies for reduction of headache symptoms following TBI

Substance Abuse and Brain Injury

Christy Klein, MSEd, LADC, LIMHP, Therapist with Family Resources of Greater Nebraska in Grand Island, Neb., and Louise Jacobs LICSW, Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker with Louise Jacobs, PC in Hastings, Neb.

- Identify the impact of the interface of brain injury and substance use/abuse
- Discuss resources and support systems for the individual with brain injury and substance abuse

3:00 p.m. *Break*

3:15 p.m. *Breakout Sessions:* Choose one

Emotional Rehab: The Process of Acceptance

Laura Bergevin, MSW, Dimension Three Specialist with Quality Living, Inc., Omaha, Neb.

- Conceptualize "acceptance" as a process verses a finite destination and identify key elements
 of this process
- Explore techniques and strategies to help navigate through the acceptance process toward a path of hope and optimism

The Aging Brain

Dennis Molfese, PhD

- · Discuss the changes in the ability to support thinking and the differences between the sexes
- Relate how to maximize brain performance

Navigating Relationships After Brain Injury: Things the GPS Won't Tell You!

Ben Woodworth, MSW, Director of Training for Iowa Association of Community Providers in Urbandale, Iowa and David Johnson BA, a survivor of a traumatic brain injury

- Examine the impact brain injury may have on personal and family relationships/systems
- Identify role changes in relationships and strategies for helping to navigate change after brain injury

4:15-4:30 p.m. Evaluations and wrap-up

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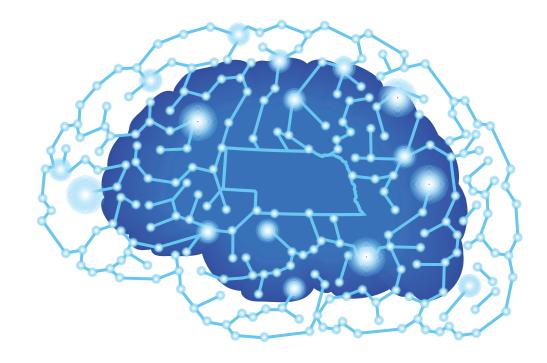
Agencies, businesses and organizations are invited to exhibit at the conference. This is an excellent opportunity to connect with the 300 participants-individuals with brain injury and their family members, caregivers and professionals. For more information, contact Cindy Christ at 402-304-8103.



For more information about the conference: Peggy Reisher at (402) 890-0606

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6th Annual Nebraska Brain Injury Conference



March 29-30, 2012

Younes Conference Center 416 Talmadge Rd. Kearney, Nebraska

Registration deadline: March 23, 2012

SAVE! Early bird registration postmarked or online by February 14, 2012

Conference Purpose: Discuss therapeutic strategies and resources available to assist individuals with traumatic brain injury and their families.

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Thursday, March 29 ——

12:00 p.m. Registration check-in

Thursday lunch is not provided at the conference. The Holiday Inn restaurant, located next to the Younes Conference Center, will be open for lunch or there are several fast food options nearby.

1:00 p.m. Welcome: Tiffany Armstrong, MSN, RN, CRRN, Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council Chair

1:15 p.m. Keynote: Behavior Issues Following a TBI

- Identify behaviors that are common following a traumatic brain injury
- Create strategies for assessment and managing problematic behaviors following a traumatic brain injury

Linda R. Wilkerson, MSEd, CBIST is the CEO for Minds Matter, LLC, in Overland Park, Kan., where she provides training and consulting to support the needs of staff and agencies working in the community with individuals with disabilities. She is a state and national speaker on the topics of behavior management and traumatic brain injury.

2:45 p.m. *Break*

3:00 p.m. Keynote: What Do We Do Now?

- Explain the post-acute rehab experience
- Describe the crushing toll of brain injury on families

Joan Ryan, BS, is an award winning journalist with 20 years of experience as a newspaper columnist and author of three books. Her most recent book, *The Water Giver: The story of a mother, a son and their second chance,* is an account of her 16-year-old son's brain injury and what it taught her about motherhood. She lives in Ross, Calif., and is a media consultant for the San Francisco Giants and is writing a baseball book for Simon & Shuster.

4:00 p.m. *Break*

4:15 p.m. *Breakout Sessions:* Choose one

Journaling Your Experiences

Joan Ryan, BS, Author

- Discuss the value of journaling as a coping tool after a brain injury
- Examine the therapeutic use of journaling for the brain injured individual

Nebraska Medicaid Updates

Susan Buettner, JD, Nebraska Deputy Director of Medicaid and Long Term Care

- Review programs available for individual assistance
- Relate information about ADRC and Medicaid Waiver programs

Veteran Reintegration

Travis Karr, BA, Veteran Student Coordinator for Central Community College, Grand Island, Neb.

- Examine the profile of the veteran
- Report issues of transition after deployment

5:15 p.m. Adjourn for the day

6-9 p.m. Brain Injury Association Dinner & Fundraising Event: The Clever Cranestorm Caper Museum of Nebraska Art, Kearney, Neb.



You may have seen the Amazing Race, but you haven't seen the biggest adventure event of them all — The Clever Cranestorm Caper! This exciting evening will raise your spirits while raising much needed funding for the Brain Injury Association of Nebraska.

Cranestorm Quiz: How will YOU participate?

- A. As a team member! I want to take on other teams and prove my Cranestorm prowess.
- B. As a sponsor! I want to support BIA-NE and cheer on my team or individual.
- C. As a spectator! I want to be a part of the fun and enjoy dinner and the cash bar.

Whether your answer is A, B or C, you'll find the details and registration at www.biane.org/fundraiser. Time is running out! Register now before you're voted off the island (wait, different program).

Friday, March 30 ———

7:30 a.m. Registration

8 a.m. *Welcome*: Tiffany Armstrong, MSN, RN, CRRN, Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council Chair AACBIS update by Judy Harvey, MS, CCC, SLP, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital

8:15 a.m. Keynote: Resolving How to Conceptualize Disability After Brain Injury

- Describe considerations that make finding a satisfactory self concept difficult
- Examine variables that can enhance self concept
- Explain a model that can improve self concept

Robert L. Karol, PhD, LP, ABPP, CBIST, is the president of Karol Neuropsychological Services and Consulting in Minneapolis, Minn. He is on the Board of Professional Psychology as a rehabilitation psychologist and is certified by the Academy of Certified Brain Injury Specialists as a certified Brain Injury Specialist Trainer. Dr. Karol has authored three books and has presented more than 170 workshops, keynote addresses, seminars and lectures. He is the co-founder of the Brain Injury Association of Minnesota and has served for six years on the Board of Directors of Accessible Space, Inc.

9:45 a.m. Break/Snack, check out of hotel

10:15 a.m. *Nebraska Sports Concussion Bill*: Kate Jerecke, BIA-NE Executive Director

10:30 a.m. *Keynote*: Sports Concussion

- Recognize the conflict of ego and safety in athletes
- Compare strengths and weaknesses in the evaluation techniques for concussion and the future of concussion research

Dennis Molfese, PhD, is an internationally recognized expert on the use of brain recording techniques to study the emerging relationships between brain development, language and cognitive processes. He received his a PhD in psychology from Pennsylvania State University. He is a chancellor's professor, director of the Brain Imaging Center at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) and director of the Developmental Neuroscience Laboratory at UNL. He is the editor-in-chief for the scientific journal, *Developmental Neuropsychology*, and serves on the editorial boards for the Annals of Dyslexia, and for Eye and Brain.

11:30 a.m. *Breakout Sessions*: Choose one

Changing Relationships: Helping Families Cope With the Change and Loss After a Brain Injury Heidi Smith, BA, CBIS, Director of Services for People with Disabilities with the Lutheran Service in Des Moines, Iowa

- Identify the different behaviors of families coping with brain injury
- Review techniques for helping families cope with brain injury

Employment Resources - Who Can Help?

Becki Koehler, MS, Business Development Manager for Goodwill Industries, Hastings, Neb.

- Cite Employment Services in Nebraska
- Evaluate work support programs that help people who receive Social Security disability benefits

Limitations of the Criminal Justice System and the Brain Injured Individual

Christopher Ferdico, JD, Litigation Partner for Baylor, Evnen, Curtiss, Grimit & Witt, LLP in Lincoln, Neb.

- Review the criminal justice system
- Discuss the interplay between the justice system and brain injured individuals

12:30 p.m. *Lunch*

- Nebraska Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council update, Keri Bennett
- Brain Injury Association of Nebraska annual meeting and awards ceremony, Kate Jarecke

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- Register online using Visa or MasterCard at bit.ly/biconf12
- Register by mail (complete this form for each person attending), make checks payable to Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital and mail to: Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital, Education Department, 5401 South Street, Lincoln, NE 68506
- Register by faxing registration form using Visa or MasterCard to 402-486-8381

Cancellations may be made up to 4 days prior to the event. Refunds will be decreased by \$35 for administration fees. If you wish to have someone attend in your place, please notify Marcie Stoner at 402-483-9550.

I am: ☐ General/Professional ☐ Individual with brain injury	Registration \$150 \$50	Early bird \$135 \$45	I will attend: ☐ Thursday, March 29, 2012 ☐ Friday, March 30, 2012	*Fee is the same for 1 or 2 day attendance.	
or family member Additional family member or caregiver	\$35	\$30	☐ Both March 29 & 30, 2012		
☐ Student	\$25		Amount of registration \$		
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Need assistance to attend the conference? Individuals with brain injury and limited income, who cannot attend the conference without support, may request assistance. Contact the Brain Injury Association at 402-423-2463 before March 15, 2011. Scholarships are available, as funding permits, to assist with registration, hotel and mileage.

Conference Location/Lodging: Wingate Inn: 308-237-4400 Hampton Inn: 308-234-3400 (attached to conference center)
The conference is held at the Younes Conference Center at 416 Talmadge Road in Kearney, Neb. It is located directly behind the Holiday Inn at the first intersection north of I-80. (Map at www.biane.org/conference) Lodging is not covered in the registration fee. Participants must make their own hotel reservations at the Wingate Inn or Hampton Inn for \$79.95. Remember to mention you are with the Brain Injury Conference. Both hotels provide hot, full breakfast for paying guests and several all-accessible rooms.

Contact Hours: Conference co-provided by Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital, Nebraska Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council and the Brain Injury Association of Nebraska.

Hours are targeted for Nurses, Social Workers, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Mental Health Practitioners, Speech Language Pathologists, Educators, and Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors.

- 3.5 contact hours provided for Thursday, March 29 NE11-14H38-195
- 5.75 contact hours provided for Friday, March 30 NE11-14H38-196

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